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IN RE APPLICATION OF: PAUL J. DONLEY ET AL.

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FOR: ALL PLASTIC AIR CAP FOR HOT  
MELT ADHESIVE APPLICATOR

NOTICE OF REVOCATION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

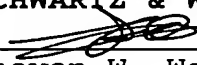
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SIR:

In connection with the above-identified patent application, it is hereby noted that the Power of Attorney for **R. Wayne Pritchard**, Registration Number **34,903**, is revoked.

It is further requested, in accordance with the aforementioned revocation of the Power of Attorney, that the United States Patent and Trademark Office correct the Patent and Trademark Office patent application records so as to properly reflect those patent attorneys who are in fact empowered to transact all business within the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent application.

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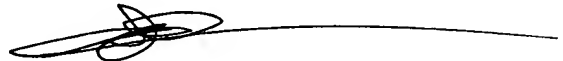
The present invention, in connection with which the present patent application is being prosecuted, is directed toward an air cap or end cap for use upon a hot melt adhesive applicator wherein the cap is fabricated from a thermoplastic material, the cap has swirl air passages integrally formed therein, and the central portion thereof, through which the tip portion of the dispensing nozzle projects, is axially recessed from the front planar surface of the air cap. In addition, an air fitting ring member, by means of which swirl air is provided to the dispensing nozzle structure, is rotatably mounted upon the nozzle assembly and is likewise fabricated from a thermoplastic material similar to that from which the air cap is fabricated. In this manner, these structural features together serve to protect operator personnel from safety or burn hazards from the dispensing nozzle which can attain temperature levels of between 300-400°F under operative dispensing conditions.

While the cited **PRIOR ART** is relevant to the present invention in that the **PRIOR ART** discloses conventional hot melt adhesive dispensing applicators, and air cap or end cap structures incorporated thereon, it is submitted that such **PRIOR ART** patent publications cited above do not disclose the particular aforementioned features of the present in-

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vention, and therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the examiner should merely consider such **PRIOR ART** in its proper perspective, make the same officially of record, and proceed with completion of the examination of this patent application.

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